

Grandview Update  
June 2014

**Former Public Works Site** - After many months of discussion and preparation, the City Council authorized the first step in potentially bringing redevelopment to the vacant site at 5146 Eden Avenue. Edina's Public Works facility was at this site before they relocated to a newly constructed facility in 2010.

This month, the City issued a Request for Interest for Development Partner (RFI). A mix of uses that include complementary public and private elements is envisioned for the site. Prominent indoor and outdoor public spaces are expected. It is anticipated that the private elements will help offset the costs of the public elements. Interested teams must submit a response by Aug. 11. The full RFI document may be found [here](#).

The RFI features five fundamental steps. These steps are based on the evaluation process discussed by the Community Advisory Team and presented to the City Council in March.

- Stage 1 – Partner Selection
- Stage 2 – Process Refinement
- Stage 3 – Creation of Alternative Scenarios (4-5 months)
- Stage 4 – Public Evaluation of Alternatives (30-45 days)
- Stage 5 – Selection of Preferred Scenario

Stages 4 and 5 are the key periods when a variety of development scenarios will be considered. These stages will include extensive public input so that the best combination of uses can be determined for the site. More detail, including meeting dates and other ways to provide suggestions will be announced after the City Council selects a partner.

The City Council will interview and select the potential partner. Interviews are tentatively scheduled for 5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2014 and will be open to the public.

#### **Bus Garage Site –**

This month, the School Board of District 273 affirmed potential terms of a relocation agreement with the City for the District's transportation department. Seven items were identified, including:

- The relocation, i.e., the demolition of the existing facility and construction of the new facility, including any and all environmental assessments and corrective actions and construction of a comparable facility, will be at no cost to Edina Public Schools ("the school district").
- The new facility will provide adequate indoor space for transportation services offices, as well as storage, maintenance and repair of the school district's entire vehicle fleet per the bus garage plan developed by the school district's architect. The plan will provide for the current and future transportation needs of the school district.

The full School Board Resolution can be found [here](#):

<https://v3.boardbook.org/Public/PublicItemDownload.aspx?ik=35499822>

**Community Advisory Team** – Over the last year, the CAT has met regularly to discuss implementation of the *Grandview Development Framework*. The CAT specifically focused on the preparation of a document

to re-use the vacant Public Works site. The CAT discussed several important issues about the Public Works site and provided insight that should benefit the long-term implementation of the *Development Framework*.

With the RFI document now completed, the work of the Community Advisory Team is concluded. Thanks to the CAT members for sharing their expertise and many hours of dedicated service to the City: Jimmy Bennett, Bright “Dorn” Dornblaser, Mike Fischer (co-chair), Sandy Fox, Nancy Grazzini-Olson, Sue Jacobson, Jennifer Janovy (co-chair), Bill McReavy, Pat Olk, and Kevin Staunton.

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